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SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
After Action
REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 4, 2001

Morgan Hill Civic Center

Council Chambers
17555 Peak Ave.

Senior Advisory Committee

Chair	Marilyn Gadway
Vice-Chair	William Keig
Committee Member	Doris Bateman
Committee Member	John Bautista
Committee Member	Joan Harkness
Committee Member	La Gina Metcalf
Committee Member	Kenneth Mort

Parks & Recreation Commissioner Craig van Keulen

2:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Gadway at 2:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Absent - Committee Member Bautista

Absent - Committee Member Metcalf

DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA

Per Government Code 54954.2

PLEDGE

Led by Vice Chair Keig

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Committee Member Bateman asked the group to consider permanently changing the time of the meeting from 2:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Chair Gadway suggested she make a motion to change the time of the meeting prior to

the adjournment of the meeting.

VERBAL REPORTS

YMCA SENIOR PROGRAM MONTHLY UPDATE

YMCA Senior Program Staff

Ms. Nelson reported there will be a Barbeque at the Senior Center on Friday, June 21st at 4:00 p.m. Bingo started up again today (June 4, 2002) and will be held in the Manzanita Room in order to make it more accessible for everyone who wants to participate. Chair Gadway asked what type of prizes were given as part of the Bingo game and if prizes were donated or purchased. Ms. Nelson responded prizes included plants, baked goods etc. Prizes are purchased with funds from the Senior Center budget and donations of prizes would be appreciated.

The Senior Center now has a staff person (Jennifer) who is working on Senior Center programming 10 hours a week. Carol of the YMCA staff will continue to work on the newsletter and Ms. Nelson will also work on Senior Center programming. The YMCA now has a ballroom dance instructor. Dates and times for class instruction will be determined. On June 3rd, a 20 person delegation from China toured the Senior Center along with Mayor Kennedy and Council Member Chang.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Recreation Manager Spier

See Agenda Item 3

COA ADVISORY COMMISSION

Representative Tougas

Mr. Tougas announced the In-Home Health Support Services (IHHSS) program was transferred back to the County of Santa Clara from the Council on Aging. The Council on Aging provided training to IHHSS workers and managed the IHHSS registry. Persons interested in these services will now have to find an IHHSS worker on their own.

CAG MEETING REVIEW

Representative Tougas for
Committee Member Bautista

The Health Trust grant program to install safety bars and ramps in the homes of low-income seniors is now underway. Interested seniors may contact CAG for more information. Mr. Tougas also reported the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) has cut bus route 14. Bus route 14 travels from Watsonville Road to the Civic Center Campus (Peak and Alkire Avenues.) A map of route 14 is attached.

Mr. Tougas announced that Walter Shakey (spelling?) of the Physically Challenged Board is looking for space to hold meetings.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 2, 2002 & MAY 7, 2002

Motion to approve Minutes made by Vice Chair Keig. Motion seconded by Committee Member Harkness. Minutes approved 5:0.

BUSINESS

2. 2001-2002 SENIOR CENTER YEARLY REPORT - MT. MADONNA YMCA

Recommended Action: Report on 2001-2002 Senior Center Yearly Report submitted by the Mt. Madonna YMCA. Deferred to June 4, 2002 meeting.

Ms. Nelson handed out an addendum to the Yearly Report submitted to the City of Morgan Hill in May. The addendum cited the work of community members and organizations in Morgan Hill, which contributed to the success of the Senior Center programs during the past year. The addendum, dated May 30, 2002, is attached to this report.

Ken Tougas asked about the maintenance of the building. Ms. Nelson responded there are two staff members responsible for maintenance: 1 maintenance person and 1 facilities person. They are responsible for the cleaning and maintenance of the building. A Committee Member asked about the rental policy for the facility. Ms. Nelson responded there is a rental policy that includes a deposit and specifies no alcohol and no helium balloons. Groups can use the facility but the fee (as in the case of Temple Emanuel) is set by the City of Morgan Hill. Committee Member Bateman stated the piano in the Senior Center is being damaged and should be covered or protected. Ms. Nelson stated she would see to it that the piano is locked and protected. Ken Tougas and Marie Skinner asked about the phone system used by the Senior Center. Ms. Nelson responded the system is a commercial system and is used by the entire YMCA. Only a portion of the phone system is charged to the Senior Center.

Chair Gadway motioned to approve the report. Committee Member Harkness seconded the motion. Motion approved 5:0.

3. PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION CONSIDERATION OF SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Recommended Action: Report on results of Parks and Recreation Commission review and consideration of Senior Advisory Committee Resolution regarding the kitchen facilities for the Senior Nutrition Program.

Recreation Manager Spier stated the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) reviewed the Senior Advisory Committee's resolution and recommendation to consider building separate kitchen facilities for the Senior Nutrition Program. Ms. Spier stated the PRC has decided to keep the Senior Nutrition Program and all other Senior programs together at one site. The PRC would like to see all Senior Programs move to the future Indoor Community Recreation Center in order to further the concept of inter-generational programming. The issue of who will be responsible for the operation of the Indoor Community Center has not been determined yet. The City Council has directed City Staff to conduct more research on different models of operation. The Senior Advisory Committee's Resolution will go to City Council at the end of June. The Council will have consider two questions in the future:

1. Should the Senior Nutrition Program stay at the Friendly Inn?
2. If the Senior Nutrition Program moves to the Indoor Community Recreation Center, should the kitchen be split into two separate areas?

Ms. Spier said the Council will also consider whether the 600 square foot kitchen, now planned for the Indoor Community Recreation Center, is large enough for the Senior Nutrition Program. The Council may have to consider making the kitchen larger. However, the Indoor Community Recreation Center will not need a kitchen

large enough to accommodate banquets and events for large parties. Large banquets and dinners will be held at the Community and Cultural Center. The kitchen at the Community and Cultural Center will be a banquet kitchen.

Chair Gadway emphasized the need to engage the County Senior Nutrition Program staff into the planning process in order get specific information about their equipment needs. A Committee Member asked if the County will be contributing any funds toward the new kitchen. Chair Gadway responded that the County only has about \$10,000 to contribute to the kitchen.

- 4. RAMP INSTALLATION FOR TRAILER LOCATED AT MORGAN HILL SENIOR CENTER**
Recommended Action: Discuss and consider installation of a ramp for the trailer located at the Morgan Hill Senior Center in order to improve access to the trailer for Seniors and others with disabilities.

YMCA staff as well as Ken Tougas pointed out the trailer is already equipped with a ramp. The ramp is located toward the back of the trailer by the back door. The Senior Advisory Committee concluded that no action to fund or install a new ramp should be taken at this time.

- 5. SENATE BILL 1315 - BULK PURCHASING OF PHARMACEUTICALS**
Recommended Action: Review contents of Bill and discuss potential support of Bill through a letter to member(s) of the California State Legislature.

Staff member Margarita Balagso provided the Senior Advisory Committee with information about the contents of the Bill. Committee Member Mort asked if any specific financial information was available. Ms. Balagso responded that no financial information was available at this time. The members of the Senior Advisory Committee concluded that more specific information, including the financial impact of the Bill, was needed in order to provide support for the Bill.

Marie Skinner stated she recently read an article regarding a prescription drug co-op being formed by an individual State in order to reduce the price of drugs for seniors and low-income individuals. Ms. Skinner offered to re-read the article and provide more information to the Committee Members.

- 6. CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATURE - SANTA CLARA COUNTY NEWS**
Recommended Action: Information Only. Hand out monthly legislative update from California Senior Legislature.

Staff Balagso provided the Senior Legislature Newsletter in the Senior Advisory Committees' agenda packets.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recreation Manager Spier showed the conceptual designs of the future library to the Senior Advisory Committee. She reported she and Margarita Balagso had been working on a grant to the State of California to obtain funding to build a new public library in Morgan Hill. The grant is due on June 14, 2002.

Committee Member Bateman motioned to permanently change the time of the Senior Advisory Committee meeting from 2:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Vice Chair Keig seconded the motion. Motion approved 5:0.

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS
NONE

ADJOURNMENT to the next monthly meeting scheduled on **July 2, 2002 at 1:30 p.m.** in City Council Chambers.
